

REMARKS

Claims 11-16 have been cancelled from the Application without prejudice. Claims 1-10 and 17-18 have been allowed. Claims 1-10 and 17-18 remain in the application. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the Application is respectfully requested.

1. ALLOWED CLAIMS:

In the Office Action dated 10 March 2003 (item 6 on page 3 of Paper 4), claims 1-10 and 17-18 were allowed. Such allowance is also noted in item 5 of the Office Action Summary in paper 8 (Final Office Action) dated 11 September 2003.

2. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 16 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(e):

In item 2 on page 2 of Paper 8, claim 16 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Tomie in U.S. Patent 6,043,556 entitled "High-Frequency Input/Output Feedthrough and Package for housing high-Frequency Semiconductor Element Using Same", hereinafter *Tomie*. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. However, claim 16 is cancelled from the Application without prejudice.

3. IN CONCLUSION:

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. Applicant believes that all claims pending in this Patent Application are allowed, that any other problems which may have been raised by the Examiner have been rectified, and that this amendment places the Application in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to grant an early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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